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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed in order to more clearly define the invention as discussed between the Examiner and Applicants' Attorney during an interview conducted at the Patent Office on June 8, 1999 and to address the Examiner's comments in the Advisory Action mailed from the Patent Office on May 17, 1999 in the prior nonprovisional application.

Please amend the referenced application as follows: